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Today's Weather: Moderate or fresh North winds, overcast with intermittent drizzle or light rain. Continuing cold. Noon Observations: Barometric pressure, 1020.2 mbs. 10.15 in. Temperature, 51 deg. F. Dew point, 48 deg. F. Relative humidity, 87%. Wind direction, N by E. Wind force, 1 knot. High water, 7 ft. 6 in at 5.31 p.m. Low water, 4 in at 2.41 a.m. (Thursday).

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## Chinese-Soviet Treaty Of Alliance

The Thames  
Overflows

## Churchill Favours A Direct Talk With Stalin

Edinburgh, Feb. 14.—The Conservative leader, Mr Winston Churchill, today hinted that if he again became Prime Minister after the General Election on February 23 he would personally approach Marshal Stalin "in a supreme effort" to try to end the cold war.

"I cannot help coming back to this idea of another talk with Soviet Russia on the 'highest level', Mr Churchill declared at an election meeting here.

"The idea appeals to me of a supreme effort to bridge the gulf between the two worlds so that each can live their life, if not in friendship, at least without the hatred of the cold war."

Discussing the atom bomb, Britain's wartime leader said, "The Soviet Communist world has by far the greatest military force, but the United States have the atom bomb, and now we are told that they have a thousand-fold more terrible manifestation of this awful power."

"When all is said and done, it is my belief that the superiority in the atom, if not indeed almost the monopoly of this frightful weapon in American hands, is the surest guarantee of world peace."

AMERICAN POWER

"It is my earnest hope that we may find our way to some more extended and august foundation for our safety than this grim and sombre balancing power of the bomb," Mr Churchill said, adding, "When I say we I must not let you forget that we mean the United States, and it is their power which protects not only Britain, but Europe."

Alleging "one of the most extraordinary administrative lapses that have ever taken place," Mr Churchill said that when Britain was spending such enormous sums upon her army, navy and air force, it was "very odd that we should not have been able to make the atomic bomb for ourselves by now."

Mr Churchill said that at the end of the last world war the United States, Russia and Britain were called "The Big Three." But with the decision taken by the British electorate in 1945 "we lost for the time being our place and rank in world affairs which we have gained and held throughout the terrible days of struggle."

Mr Churchill said that Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, had followed in main essentials the "right course" in foreign policy. The execution of that policy, however, had been "marred by many pitiful blunders."

Commenting on developments in China Mr Churchill said that "the five hundred millions of China had fallen into the Communist sphere" but he nevertheless did not regard China as having finally accepted Soviet "servitude".—Reuter.

## American Diplomats Tackle Two Problems

Bangkok, Feb. 14.—The conference of U.S. diplomats of the Far East today tackled two urgent problems—an Asian alliance against Communism and a peace treaty for Japan.

The diplomats also discussed work done under the Philippine Reconstruction Act.

The 20 diplomats buckled down to major questions after four sessions of political, economic and social reports.

A brief announcement on the Japanese peace treaty was at the very least sure evidence the United States has not abandoned plans for an immediate treaty, as is believed frequently.

Tokyo

POLICY UNCHANGED

Philip C. Jessup, U.S. Ambassador at Tokyo, who is presiding, issued a statement saying, "Certain aspects of the problem of conclusion of a peace treaty with Japan" were discussed.

There was no indication whether the diplomats discussed means of expediting the treaty. It was evident, however, that the State Department has not altered its previous policy of insisting on the importance of an early treaty, supported by other Asian nations.

Dr Jessup's statement said the diplomats are studying reactions of Asian nations to "various suggestions which have been made in the past concerning the possibility of some kind of regional association in the area."

He did not amplify this. It was understood, however, the talks revolved around the much repeated Asian anti-Communist pact. This first was suggested by the Philippines and Thailand.

Dr Jessup said on Saturday the U.S. would not include a military alliance in Asia, but would be sympathetic if the nations themselves got together and organized one.

The chief stumbling block to India, which has been sticking to the sidelines in Asia's hot cold war. The Philippines, too, have been cool toward a military pact.—Associated Press

## The Pope Indisposed

Vatican City, Feb. 14.—The Pope, propped up on pillows in his austere bedroom in the Vatican Palace, today continued working despite a slight attack of influenza.

His personal physicians visited him this morning, diagnosed influenza with inflammation of the throat and a slight temperature and ordered several days' rest. All audiences have been cancelled until further notice.—Reuter.

## Italian Deputies In Fist Fight

Rome, Feb. 14.—Six Italian deputies, including a woman, were treated for bruises, bites and black-eyes at Parliament's first fight during a confidence motion debate on Signor Alcide De Gasperi's new Government.

Among them was the Minister of Labour, Signor Achille Marazza, who was bitten on the thumb as Communist and left-wing Socialist deputies tried to storm the Christian Democrat benches.

The 20-minute uproar was provoked by Signor de Gasperi himself.

In a speech on the internal situation, Signor de Gasperi referred to a meeting of left-wing deputies in Modena after the shooting of six strikers, as the "Modena parade." This brought howls of protest from the left-wing members, who charged forward on to the Christian Democrats.

The Sicilian Communist deputy, Signor Salvatore Lauria, had infiltrated among the Christian Democrat benches to ward Signor de Gasperi when he was seized by the Minister of Labour, Signor Marazza.

About 50 deputies of all parties joined in the ensuing fight.

After vain attempts to restore order the Speaker of the House, Signor Giuseppe Gronchi, cleared the Chamber and ordered a 15-minute break. Voting on the motion of confidence is expected later tonight.—Reuter.

## Signed In Moscow

## MAO PROMISED CREDITS

## Six Articles

London, Feb. 14.—Radio Moscow reported tonight the signing of a Chinese-Soviet treaty of alliance and a series of agreements, including a long-term Russian economic credit to China.

The Moscow broadcast said the treaty was negotiated by Marshal Stalin, Foreign Minister Andrei Vyshinsky, Chinese Communist leader Mao Tse-tung and Chinese Communist Foreign Minister Chou En-lai.

The communiqué said, "The negotiations which took place in an atmosphere of cordiality and friendly mutual understanding, confirmed the striving of both sides to strengthen in every way and to develop relations of friendship and co-operation between them as well as their desire to co-operate for the purpose of guaranteeing general peace and security of the nations."

The negotiations ended by the signing at the Kremlin on February 14 of 1. A treaty of friendship, alliance and mutual aid between the Soviet Union and the Chinese People's Republic.

2. Agreements on the Chinese-Changchun railway, Port Arthur and Dairen under which, after the signing of the peace treaty with Japan, the Chinese-Changchun railway will pass into complete ownership of the Chinese People's Republic, while Soviet troops will be withdrawn from Port Arthur.

3. An agreement by which the government of the USSR will give to the government of the Chinese People's Republic long term economic credit for payments of deliveries of industrial and railway equipment from the USSR.

### INVALID TREATY

The broadcast said that both Mr Vyshinsky and Premier Chou En-lai agreed in an exchange of notes that the "corresponding treaty and agreements concluded on August 14, 1945 between China and the Soviet Union have now become invalid."

Moscow said that both the Moscow and Peking governments have agreed to affirm complete guarantee of the independent status of the Mongolian People's Republic as a result of the referendum of 1945 and the establishment with her of diplomatic relations by the Chinese People's Republic.

The broadcast said that both governments agreed that Russia would "hand over without compensation to the government of the Chinese People's Republic property secured by Soviet economic organizations from Japanese owners in Manchuria."

It said Mr Vyshinsky and Chou En-lai also agreed that their notes "hand over without compensation (to the Peking government) all buildings of the former military settlement in Peking."

### THE SIX ARTICLES

According to Kyodo's translation, the six articles of the alliance are:

(1) A treaty aimed at containing new aggression by Japan and any foreign power or powers which may be connected with Japan with the object of committing aggression. In the case of such aggression, the parties to the new agreement will interchange military and all other necessary aid.

(2) Conclusion of a Japanese peace treaty as early as possible by the allies who fought in the last war.

(3) The parties to the alliance shall refrain from entering into agreements with such foreign powers as are inimical to the alliance.

(4) Mutual consultations over major international problems.

(5) "Cultural co-operation" based on a spirit of equality and mutual respect for national integrity and non-interference in each nation's internal affairs.

(6) The alliance becomes effective thirty days following the date of ratification.

### TWO ANNEXES

The radio said the alliance includes two annexes covering:

a) The extension of credits;

b) The future status of the Manchurian railways and Dairen and Port Arthur.

The amount of the credits was not revealed. The Manchurian railways, provides for the unconditional return to China of the Manchurian railways, Dairen and Port Arthur, "im-

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## Edith Moller Inquiry Findings

### COURT CENSURES MASTER

The Marine Court of Inquiry this morning delivered their findings in the investigation of a collision between the ss Edith Moller and a fishing junk south of the Ninepins on January 24 which resulted in the deaths of two Chinese children.

The Court held that they were agreed that the actual extent of the fault and omission of Capt R. H. R. Hall, Master of the Edith Moller, was insufficient to justify the suspension or cancellation of his Certificate of Competency. "We are, however, of the opinion that his conduct merits the fullest censure, and we place our decision on record," said the President, Mr J. Jolly.

"We find that the Radio Operator, James Gilbert, failed to interpret correctly the order of the Master especially considering he must have been aware of his own inexperience, and we account for his actions by stressing his inexperience together with a lack of any sense of responsibility, both of which contributed in a high degree to the collision," the Court held.

The full findings of the Court read:

We find that on the morning of the 24th January, 1950, the ss Edith Moller, of 260 25 net tonnage, Official Number 172,808, and owned by the Anglo-Chinese Shipping Company, Limited, of Queen's Building, Hongkong, was making up to Hongkong from the Eastwards in fine clear weather and that the Master of the vessel was Robert Henry Hall holding a Master's Certificate of Competency No 594 issued at Singapore on the 7th November, 1934.

At about 8 a.m. the Master altered course to 284° (True) and headed for the Tathong Channel, and at 8.13 he left the bridge having handed over the watch to James Gilbert who was employed on board in the capacity of Radio Operator and who has no knowledge of the "Preventing Collisions at Sea."

About 8.30 he sighted two fishing junks slightly on the port bow of the Edith Moller, and it has been clearly established that they were trawling in pair heading roughly North-West and being close-hauled to starboard. When about several hundred feet from them he made an alteration to port of ten to fifteen degrees by compass, but at 8.53 the Edith Moller with the telegraph still at "full speed" struck the southerly junk No. F. 53 HA on the port side of her square stern and she sank, with the trawl still attached, in approximate position South Ninepins bearing 330 degrees distant about 4.0 miles.

We record with regret that a male child of between three and four years of age was killed and another male child is still missing.

We have asked ourselves if the want of obeying the Collision Regulations in any way contributed to the collision.

We feel that it did so and, in consequence, we are agreed that the proximate cause of the collision was the failure of the Edith Moller to obey Articles 20, 23 and 24 of these Regulations and there is no doubt in our minds that the ss "Edith Moller" must be held solely to blame for the collision.

London, Feb. 14.—The usually lazy Thames river has started on a rampage through the picturesque meadows of southern England on Tuesday, flooding thousands of acres and forcing bankside residents to flee for safety.

The River, swollen by four inches of rainfall in the past two weeks, is rising hourly, and at some points reached within two feet of the all-time record crest of the ruinous floods of 1947. Bright sunshines burst on southern and Central England at daybreak, but the Air Ministry forecast more rain for Tuesday night.

Throughout the lower half of England the Thames and other rivers had overrun their banks, blocked "highways" and inundated business districts up to four feet. Seven cities and towns along the Thames ordered a stand-by for an emergency. But no deaths or injuries were reported, and officials did not believe there was any danger that the damage of 1947 would be repeated. There is no threat to London or the suburbs, protected by embankments buttressed after the disastrous tidal flood 22 years ago.—United Press.

The picture above shows girls looking out over a flooded garden at Sunning, Berkshire, where the floods are severe.—London Express Service.

## MINERS STILL DEFIANT

Pittsburgh, Feb. 14.—America's 372,000 soft coal miners today defied, for the second day running, the order to return to work from the Government and Mr John L. Lewis, their union leader.

This "no contract-no work" walkout thus entered its ninth day today. Mr Lewis and the employers are due to meet tomorrow for another bid to draw up a new agreement.

The last contract between the miners and the employers expired on June 30, 1949.—Reuter.

### SOME DOUBTS

The Master has assured us that all was clear when he left the bridge but there is some doubt in our minds concerning this matter and, in any event, he could have called his certificated Mate who had left the bridge at 4 a.m. to relieve him for half an hour or so whilst he cleaned up and breakfasted prior to entering Port.

We have carefully considered all circumstances surrounding this most unfortunate accident, and we are agreed that the actual extent of his fault and omission is insufficient to justify the suspension or cancellation of his Certificate of Competency. We are, however, unanimously of the opinion that his conduct merits the fullest censure, and we place our decision on record.

We are fully satisfied that the Edith Moller stood by and made every effort to assist the (Contd. on Page 5, Col. 1)

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### EDITORIAL

## A Significant Mission

THE full significance of the visit to Tokyo of the United States Combined Chiefs of Staff is still to make itself apparent, but certain signs are unmistakable. There is a growing consciousness in Washington that, at least from the armed services point of view, a more concrete line of policy is necessary in relation to the Far East. Politically and diplomatically the United States attitude to developments in China and its impact on the rest of Asia has been indecisive and seemingly lacking in practical statesmanship. While professing concern for American interests in China, the State Department has done little or nothing to safeguard them. Events may yet justify such a policy and line of action, but for the moment it has the appearance of being unrealistic. Quite a different picture is presented by American policy of defence in the Western Pacific. Some positive decisions were reached by the combined Chiefs of Staff as a result of their trip to the Orient, and the impression left is that General Omar Bradley and his colleagues have arrived at a very definite assessment of requirements for dealing with any Russian military expansion in the Pacific. One vital decision is the appointment of General MacArthur as supreme operational commander of U.S. army and navy forces in the Western Pacific in the event of war. The announcement is likely to create a profound impression throughout Asia, and certainly will not evoke popular reaction in the Kremlin. General MacArthur's brilliant military leadership in Pacific which finally drove the Japanese out of the key positions which they gained in 1941-42 has not been forgotten, and if the cold war of the West should eventually become the shooting war of the East, America's outpost of

defence would be in the care of one of the most efficient strategists and tacticians of the present era. General MacArthur's appointment also marks a definite move towards the co-ordination of the American armed forces, in that he would have, in the event of a war, control of the Western Pacific navy as well as the army—a significant correlation of duties and powers. Also to be taken into account is the political stature which General MacArthur has won for himself since he became Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers. Not all agree with MacArthur's policies and decrees, but none will deny his confidence and certainty of touch. It is unlikely that political considerations influenced the combined Chiefs of Staff to appoint MacArthur operational supreme commander, but the fact that he has, through force of circumstances, undergone a political education during the past four and half years lends added significance to his selection. Moscow, through its propaganda organs, will undoubtedly attribute sinister motives to the Far Eastern conferences of the American combined Chiefs of Staff, and even more so to the announcement that General MacArthur has already been named as the military man to safeguard the U.S. Western Pacific defence lines. But objective appraisal of the mission which General Bradley and his associates have just carried out permits only one conclusion: that the United States is sensibly being prepared for the worst and is going to make as certain as possible that there shall be no second Pearl Harbour. The decision will do much to strengthen the confidence of those countries in the Orient which are ill-equipped to withstand alone any hostile attack from behind the Iron Curtain.

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**THE GHOST WALKS AGAIN**

WHAT SHE'S WEARING CAN'T BE SEEN—BY ORDER

BY ANNE EDWARDS

EVERY year a ghost walks through Mayfair. She's an extremely elegant ghost, dressed six months ahead of style, and she haunts the salons of London's Top Ten dress-designers.

For the ghost is the New Spring Fashion. And the New Spring Fashion is a dreadful secret which no one reveals to anyone until the buyers (American for preference) have had their pick. The clothes copied cheaply before the exclusive originals are in the shop.

We saw the opening of London's Fashion Week, the week that rivals Paris, the week of two shows per day—one for each of best ten designers.

Rubb and I saw the ghost walk again. Rubb has drawn her as completely as he is allowed. For, although the clothes are secret—the accessories are not.

**THE ACCESSORIES**

Briefly—the new accessories are big, flat sailor hats worn on one side, or tiny, one-sided caps trimmed with long feathers. Patent-leather belts as narrow as a shoelace, and patent leather court shoes. Children's scarves tied round the waist. White blouses in linen, cotton, and silk with elaborate brocade pockets.

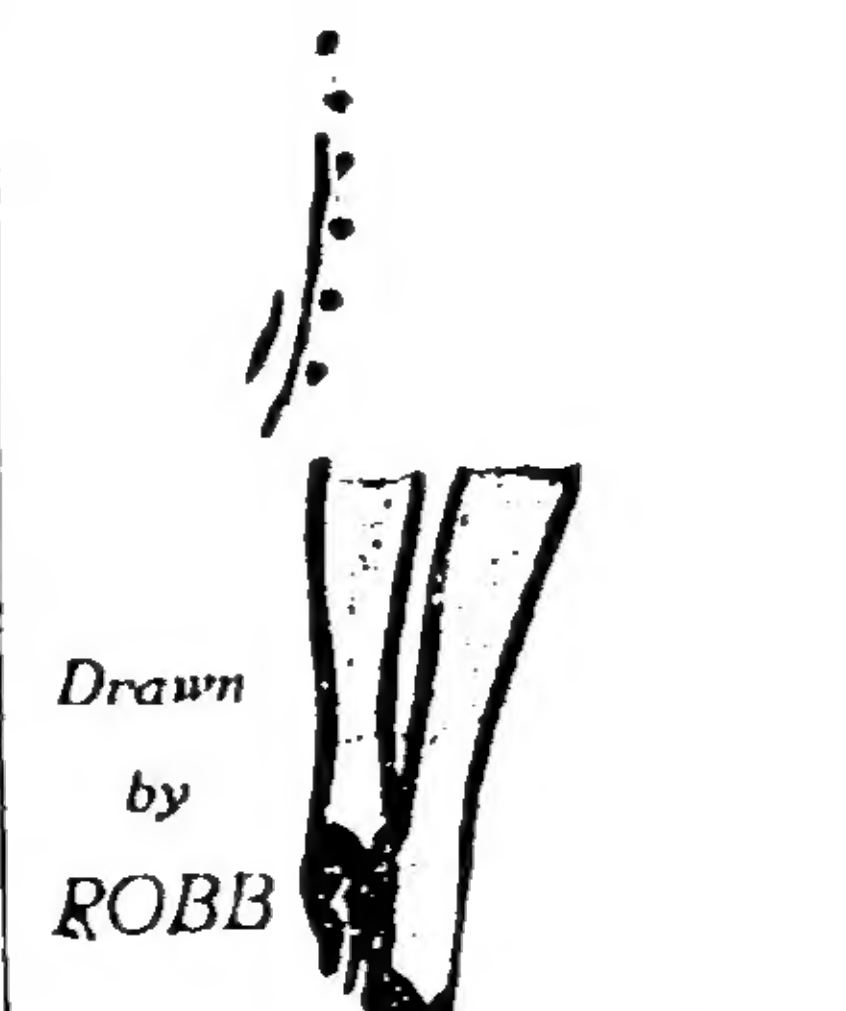
Anyone with second sight can tell in the ghost's clothes from these details. For day

time three: jacket lines 1. Tailored fitted, and short about top length 2. Bloused at the back 3. Box jacket, caught in round the top with one button.

All the skirts are light, plain, and straight, with one flap at the back.

For evening, the skirt lines: 1. Short frock with handkerchief points usually in full, 2. Long skirt with a double tier—in lace 3. Tightly swathed from waist to ankles, and buttoned or belted at the back in brocade.

(London Express Service)



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**Distinctive Dinner Dress**



By **GRACE THORNCLIFFE**

WOOL jersey is having quite a night life and doing very well too. It is the fabric used for this delightful dinner and dance dress. The dress is a strapless affair draped gently over the bodice and slightly gathered at the skirt. The waist is cinched by a tubular bow-tied belt. Over it is worn a matching navy blue lace jacket with soft shoulders and push-up sleeves.

**Paris Says Yellow**

Yellows rank top position as the novelty colour for another season in spring collections prepared by Paris fabric houses for the Haute Couture. Interest varies from straw shades to vivid strong tones. Lemon yellow is featured at two leading houses, one accenting an unripe shade.

Toast tones also score an important spot along with yellows. Included are brass and deep copper. Orange is another favourite.

Yellowy reds play a significant part in showings with lacquer shades most widely approved. Violet reds are less prominent and appear chiefly in light tushals and amaranth.

Greens, like emerald greens, are notable at several houses. Blues make much of light and dark navy, and vivid tones such as ultramarine and electric.

After navy and black in the prestige end of dresses for spring, two colours that show promise are burnt sugar and cloud blue. Why? Because either is neutral enough to appeal to a wide group because either will go with basic accessories: black, navy, or brown. And finally because both have endorsement in high style collections.

**Hollywood's Battle Of The Beefsteak**

By **Bob Thomas**

**HOLLYWOOD** American film town's top restaurants have been waging a peculiar "battle of the beefsteak."

The war has placed the high-brow eateries in the strange position of adding their well-heeled and milk-drained patrons on matters of economy and nutrition.

The first salvo was fired when this message was placed on tables at the Sunset Strip Spot, Lure's.

"In order just to swap dollars in the buying, cooking and serving of steaks, we are forced to charge \$5.50 (a la carte) for such services. It's entirely too much for this food and we earnestly request that you scan our menu for many other excellent dishes more reasonable in cost and in many instances superior in food values."

**The Campaign**

"Stop eating steaks for a while and bring these prices down." The notice was caused by a dollar rise in cost at New York steak. The campaign cut nightly steak consumption from 60 to 12. And the movement spread.

Mike Romanoff heard of it and ordered the same calls for his Beverly Hills Restaurant.

"Prices are entirely too high," said the Derby, advising guests to select other "fine and nutritious foods."

Meanwhile, another experiment in the restaurant business.

**Indian Women Advocate Birth Control**

**NEW DELHI.** THE twentieth session of the Hyderabad State Women's Conference has called upon the authorities to establish birth control clinics all over the State to educate people and provide facilities to those who seek them.

A resolution passed by the conference says that, in the interests of social economy, a healthy nation and family happiness, limitation of children was essential.

In her presidential address, Lady Rama Rau, wife of the Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, Sir B. Rama Rau, urged the women of Hyderabad to give up purdah, as soon as possible.

Referring to "family planning," she said the women of Bombay had forced the Government to take action on this "most vital question" by starting birth control clinics and proper medical treatment.

Watch Out For Drippy Water Taps

By **ELEANOR ROSS**

AT the best of times, a leaky tap is indicative of poor housekeeping but in a locality with shortage of rainfall a drippy faucet is downright wicked. It isn't at all difficult to replace a washer—usually the cause of the leak—and many women, while the menfolk were away at war, became expert in this and many other phases of household maintenance.

Any housewife should be able to fix a leaky tap of the ordinary compression type. It calls for a few simple household tools, and new washers.

First thing is to shut off the water supply. Usually the valve is under the sink in the kitchen or in the bathroom, under the laundry basin. If there isn't one, shut off the branch-line valve in the basement or the main valve where water supply enters the house. Pad a smooth-jawed wrench (a monkey wrench) with cloth, then using padded wrench, unscrew the packing nut and turn out tap stem. Then with a screwdriver that fits the screw slot closely, remove screw from bottom of the stem, then pry out the worn washer. If the screw is tight or stubborn, tap its head lightly, or apply kerosene.

Next, clean out the washer seat or compartment. When this is done, insert new washer of correct size and composition for hot or cold water. The washer should fit snugly without having to be forced into position. After inserting, replace the screw and tighten. With cloth over finger, clean valve seat inside tap. The edge should be smooth, free from deep nicks. If you find it is badly worn, have it resurfaced by a plumber. Otherwise, faucet will soon leak again.

Next replace the tap stem and turn in. Tighten packing nut. Be careful not to tighten the nut more than is necessary to stop seepage around the tap stem. Now the job is complete, except for turning on the shut off water valve. After a couple of jobs, you'll find this to be one of the easiest of household repair jobs, and one that you'll be glad to have mastered.

**Blind, Deaf, Dumb**

A CHILD of whom all Britain has been talking is a little Greek girl, flown there by the International Help for Children Fund.

She is a waif of the Greek civil war, found wandering, blind, deaf and dumb. It is hoped that a Harley-street specialist may be able to give her sight in one eye.

What can a little girl of eleven do when she cannot see, hear or speak? Well, Angeliki sits happily smiling in a London children's hospital, playing with some of the dolls sent to her in hundreds, and sewing dolls' clothes which she cuts out and fits herself!

**Multicoloured Millinery**



BRIGHT felt trimmed with vivid ribbons or flowers make a nice topping in harmony with sweet spring days clothes. They add a general note to the contemporary scene, as well as put to rest the black hat. Designer Jeanne Tote takes note of this and creates this charming profile, topped with sunny, yellow felt piped with scarlet taffeta ribbon. A soaring bow of the same taffeta ribbon is tucked under the side-swept brim at the top.

**Let's Eat**

BY **IDA BAILEY ALLEN**

**A New England Dinner**

I laughed. "Well Chef, there's plenty of fish served here—cod, mackerel, haddock, scrod, swordfish—so you won't need to go out and catch it. Swamp-scot is a very old New England fishing port, and the hotel is an old landmark."

"Then why do they call it the 'New Ocean House'?" inquired the Chef.

"Probably for the same reason that a gentleman well on in years will sometimes call himself 'Jr.," I said. "It's to keep up the spirit of youth and progressiveness, and at the same time maintain some of the old traditions, especially in food. For instance, clams are served here in many ways, steamed, fried, fricassee and in clam chowder."

"I like very much the steamed clams," remarked the Chef. "What sauce do you like best with them?" I asked.

"Just plain melted butter with a touch of Worcestershire in it. But if this is outside the budget, I like a good catsup sauce. To make this I mix together ½ cup tomato catsup, 3 tablespoons melted butter, the juice of half a lemon and ½ teaspoon Worcestershire."

**Fricassee of Clams**

"Sounds good," I nodded. "I think you will also like the fricassee of clams. It's an old favourite and it may be made with tinned or fresh clams. If using fresh, loose clams you need a pint. Cut off the hard parts and fine-chop them. Keep the soft portions whole. Simmer the hard parts in 2 tablespoons butter or margarine about 5 minutes. Then stir in 2 tablespoons flour and slowly add ½ cup top milk. Add the soft part of the clams, and cook a minute. Season with 2 drops of tabasco, and salt if needed. Add an egg yolk beaten with 1 tablespoon cream, and serve on half slices of buttered toast. If you use tinned clams, all you have to do is drain them, add the clam liquid heated with an equal amount of tomato juice, makes a good bouillon."

"I think the clam fricassee and the bouillon would be excellent for lunch," remarked the Chef. "I also like your New England style clam chowder, which is made with milk. And this can be served by our readers anywhere in the country, as it may be made with tinned clams. But it should not be allowed to boil after the milk is added or it may separate, or what you call curdle."

**Queen Pudding**

This is an attractive way to utilize one or two kinds of leftover cake. Slice or crumb, or cut in cubes; about 2 c. will be needed. Put a layer in the bottom of a qt-sized baking dish. Spread lightly with 2 tbs. strawberry or any other kind of jam. Put on a second layer of cake, pour in a hot uncooked custard, cover with "Milk High" meringue made from the egg whites left from the custard. Bake about 20 min. in a slow oven, 300 F. Put the meringue on top. Light golden brown.

**Potted Smoked Beef Tongue**

Cover a smoked beef tongue with cold water; bring to a boil, and simmer 15 min. Then discard the water. Meantime scrape and dice enough carrots, celery and turnip to make 1 c. each. Add to the tongue together with 1 tsp. parsley, ¼ tsp. powdered bayleaf, ¼ tsp. thyme, and ¼ tsp. pepper. Pour in boiling water to three-fourths cover the tongue. Simmer 4 hrs. (or pressure cook at 15 lbs. pressure, allowing 14 min. for each pound). When almost done, cool the tongue slightly; remove the skin and bony ends; trim, slice and serve hot with mustard sauce. Save the liquid and vegetables to make split pea soup.

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It Costs Little to Be Stylish



Courtesy REO Radio Pictures  
This outfit, worn by Screen Star Laraine Day, is a good example of the importance of accessories. Here, a pretty belt acts off a simple outfit.

By **HELEN FOLLETT**

IT is exciting to have chic and style. Gives one confidence. Any girl can do it, without spending a heap of cash—without spending change. Good taste, and an understanding of line and colour will turn the trick. That is, if a girl will take the trouble to carry herself beautifully. Let her slouch, let the chest cave in and the tumour protrude and style will not be with her.

Mrs. Plumpie can have chic, so can the skinny girl, if the first one knows how to disguise her curves and the other knows how to conceal her angles. Nature can't cheat you out of being a bit of fashion; if you will work in this cause for it, you can win out.

A smart appearance contributes toward an interesting personality; there is no worry about how one looks. When a woman walks toward you, and she is well groomed and cleanly from the crown of her head to the toes of her shoes, you can't help giving a little

glance of admiration. She is a treat to the eye. Her appeal is greater than that of mere prettiness, which is almost a drug on the market. Many film actresses are perfect examples of the well dressed woman.

Don't forget that frocks and hats that are not elaborate are the happiest selections. It is the overdressed woman who piles on ornaments and meaningless decorations who is the worst. The wearer should dominate her clothes. Fussy dry goods blot her out of the picture.

The face, like the figure, should be neatly groomed. Powder must be laid on evenly and lightly. The drug store blush must be like the wild rose, not like the red, red apple. Lipstick applications must not be smudgy, but laid on with clear-cut edges. A smudge of mascara, too much crayon on the eyebrows, and you can't help giving a little

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# Lunatics Made A Bonfire Of Their Strait-jackets

The Littlehamptons Off To America

By Osbert Lancaster



"Please realise, Maude, that beggars can't be choosers—with the dollar at 2.80 to the pound you're going to dine with Mrs. Van Flourensburg and like it!"

## 40 Years Of Plane Making

The Bristol Aeroplane Company, builders of the 130-ton Brabazon aircraft, are 40 years old on Sunday, February 19.

It is unlikely that the Brabazon will make any more flights to celebrate the company's birthday. "I don't think the Brabazon test programme could be interrupted for that," a spokesman said. "It may be flying that day as part of its routine tests, or it may not."

The Bristol Company first known as the British and Colonial Aeroplane Co. sprang from the Bristol Tramways Company.

In contrast to the eight-cylinder, 20,000 horse power Brabazon, with its 2,400 wing spread, the first aeroplane built at the Filton works, on the outskirts of Bristol, in 1910, was a little French-designed Zivko. It was 20ft across its wing, its single engine developed 40 horse power.

Bristols had already built several types by the time the 1914-18 war began. During that war the Bristol Scout and the Bristol Fighter were two of the Royal Flying Corps' best-known aeroplanes.

Most famous of British war planes was the Blenheim, which used first as a night fighter, then as a bomber, and finally as a fighter-bomber, and which defended England against the Luftwaffe in 1941 and after wards in all kinds of roles.

## SKIN TRADE SHOCK TO DOG LOVERS

A prewar export of dogs' skins to Germany has been revived in Britain, to the horror of the Canine Defence Society.

The Germans process them into an inferior leather for boots and shoes.

One Glasgow merchant has the skins of 30,000 dogs in store—said to be ready for export. The firm has no preference for breeds. It insists only that the skins must be at least 18 inches long.

The Canine Defence Society said: "Our members will be very upset to hear this. Unfortunately there is not sufficient room to bury the thousands of dogs put to sleep every year. We're trying to get a crematorium for pot dogs."

## Husband Frozen Out

A property settlement in a divorce granted a Fort Worth couple awarded the wife, as part of her share of the community estate, the family car. The husband got one set of the tools and two gallons of anti-freeze.

## GOVERNOR ECHOES YELLS AND CHEERS

The thousand patients at the State mental hospital at Anoka, Minnesota, recently made a roaring bonfire fed by their own strait-jackets. Their weird yells and cheers were echoed by Minnesota's unusual Governor, Luther Youngdahl, sponsor of a daring experiment in psychotherapy.

As the flames consumed 324 strait-jackets and other mechanical gadgets formerly used on the inmates, Youngdahl proclaimed from a belaguered rostrum:

"By this action we say that we have liberated ourselves from witchcraft and that, in taking off mechanical restraints from patients, we are taking off intellectual restraints from ourselves."

A former judge, Youngdahl believes that kindness, rather than force, is the key to the solution of many personality problems. What he saw in Minnesota last session, he tried here.

Then, he heard of the remarkable results achieved at the mental hospital at Montrose, Illinois, where dangerous mental cases are treated with the minimum restraint.

### ONE LOCKED DOOR

Youngdahl sent Dr. Edward Miller, superintendent of Minnesota's Anoka hospital, and seven State mental hospitals to study Montrose's methods at first hand. Miller returned an enthusiastic convert.

An even more progressive system was introduced forthwith at Minnesota's Anoka hospital, and since June last year, not a single strait-jacket or other physical restraint has been used on a State mental patient.

Dangerous patients were released from these restraints by

degrees as far back as October 1948. Although Anoka houses some cases probably classifiable as criminal lunatics, not a single serious setback has been recorded.

The only door locked at Anoka is the one which holds back the patients from the outside world.

### JUST HAPPY SNORES

The patients are kept so busy with various programmes of physical activity that they seem to have forgotten that they are mental cases, any more. They play basketball and medicine ball, do exercises, to music, at least, and go for long hikes.

At the end of the day, according to 45-year-old Miller, a cheerful, bulky six-footer, they are so tired they sleep like babies. Before retiring, each patient is given a tepid bath and a cup of warm cocoa for a sedative effect. Drugs are used only in unusual cases.

When the restaurant-free system was first introduced, three attendants patrolled the sleeping quarters of the 100 most dangerous cases, but in case

Said Miller: "All that disturbed them was the hoarse snoring of exhausted inmates. Now the guard is reduced to two."

Why these people are so tame we tried them with knives and forks. One guy who had

been in a strait-jacket for several years is now "our most efficient potato peeler."

The guiding principle of the technique, according to Miller, is: "If you expect abnormality from a mental patient you get it, and, conversely, if you don't, you won't."

Perhaps the most difficult, if not the most dangerous, case Anoka had was a schizophrenic woman who had been held in these restraints for years because of a compulsion to cover herself, and anybody who might come near her with garbage.

We took this woman to our new beauty parlour and gave her a special treatment," said Miller. A special feature was a rich red manicure. We told her this was a reward for her cooperation.

Since then she's forgotten about garbage, and she walks around glowering in her beautiful, manicured hands.

It's little personal touches like this that make the difference. Lunatics are people."

## LUCKIEST TENANTS IN BRITAIN

Who are the luckiest tenants in Britain?

The answer, according to a British housing survey, is: The King's 120 tenants in Windsor Great Park.

The 120 live in modern cottages at 6d a week rent—easily the lowest throughout Britain for their standard of accommodation.

The village in which they live is a recently completed, was built to designs personally approved by the King.

The cottages are varied, but all of them have labour-saving kitchens, and most consist of a living-room, sitting-room, three bedrooms, bathroom, and upstairs and downstairs lavatories.

### MODERN SITING

Kitchen equipment includes a built-in cabinet, up-to-date electric cooking, and constant hot water supply. The bath rooms are half-tiled.

Each cottage has its own garden, heated, and chicken run. The houses are sited according to the most modern housing theories, in pairs along two sides of a triangle which encloses the village green.

At the top of the triangle is the new Windsor Great Park general stores shop, which includes a post-office. At the base, surrounded by trees, is the village clubroom house.

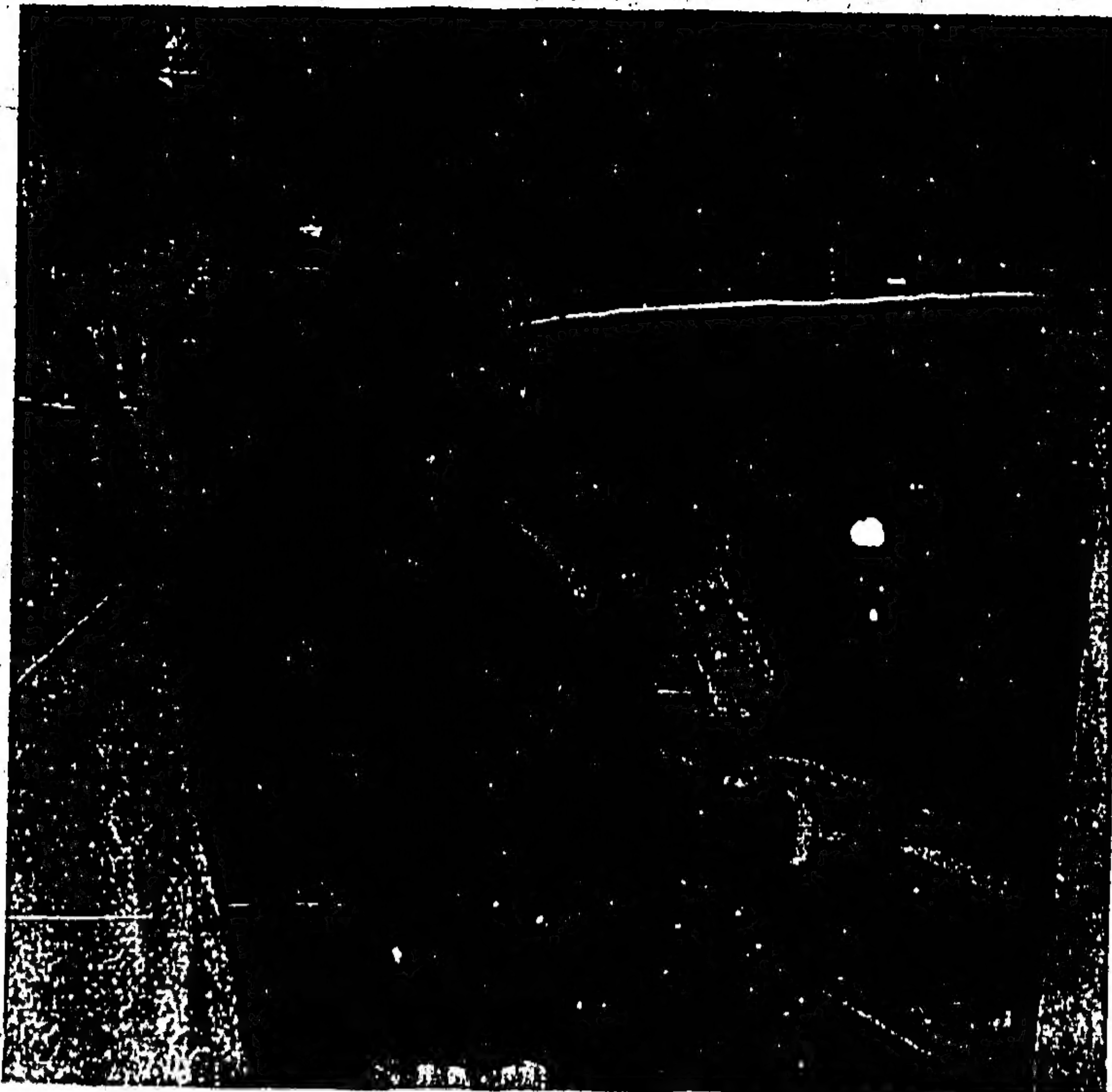
The tenants themselves are all workers on the King's Windsor estate—foresters, farm employees, and tangers.

## Blondes In The Henhouse

The acute beef shortage in Cape Town is leading to cattle and chicken stealing. One morning at 4 a.m. C. W. Hardman, of 27 Fritz Street, Johannesburg, was awakened by a noise and found an attractive blonde girl in his henhouse. She had been hanging out squeaking hens to two other women.

Hardman shone a torch on her and then locked her in the henhouse. He called the flying squad by phone and the three women were arrested.

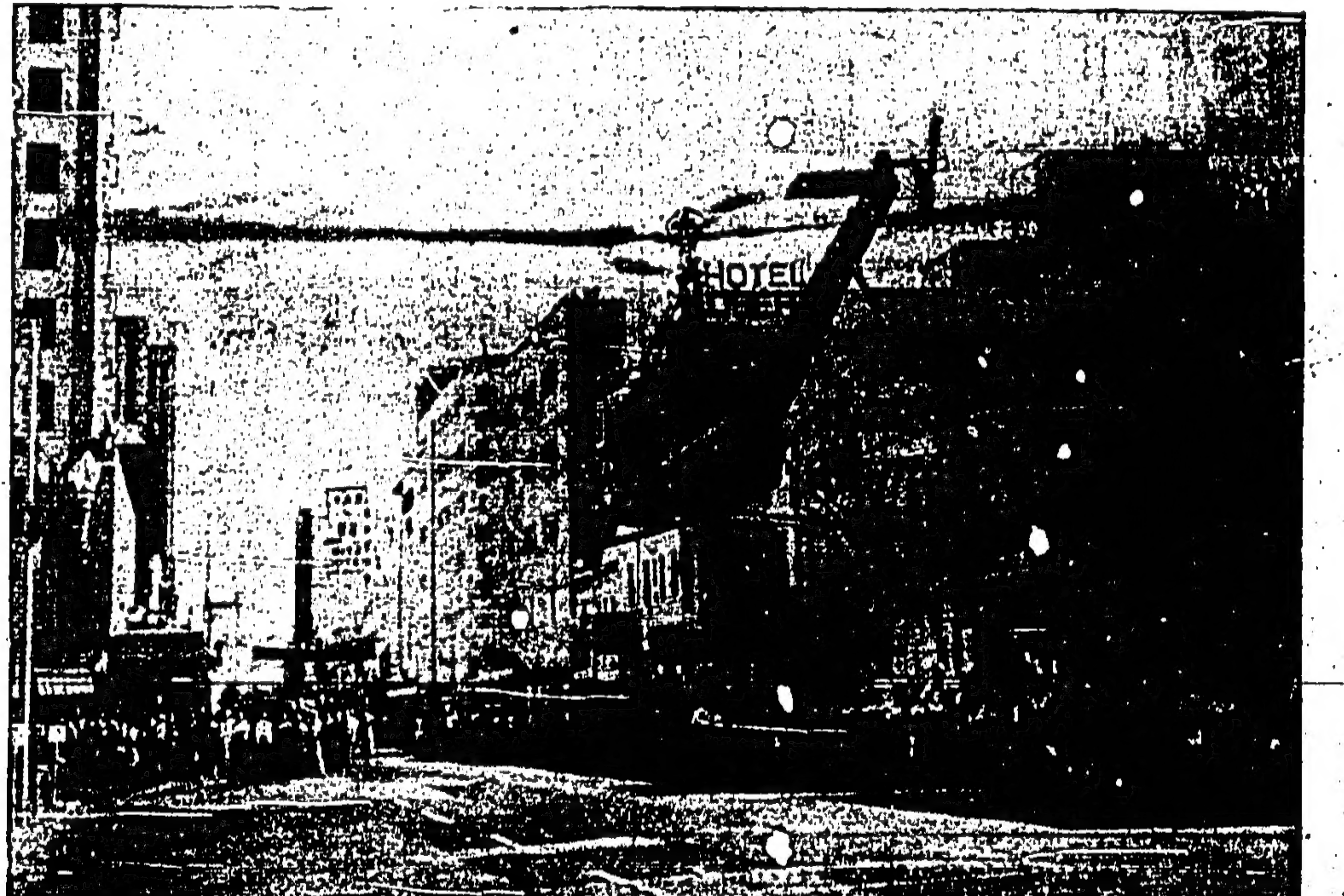
# NEWS IN PICTURES



DOCKSIDE CONCERT—Polish pianist Stanislas Niedzleski sits on a keg of nails at the pier in New York for a work-out on the piano he took with him by the liner America. The concert grand is still in the specially built trailer, which will carry it on a concert tour of the U.S.



INDIAN MOTIF—Inspired by the gaily-coloured costumes of the American Indian, this outfit is done in gentian purple and crisp white cotton. The striped skirt is topped by a neatly-buttoned bodice.



THE HELICOPTER WAY—The helicopter landed in front of the City Hall in Miami, Florida, and picked up Mayor William M. Wolfarth. Thousands flocked to watch Mayor Wolfarth go by 'copter to the opening of the three-day All-American Air Manoeuvres at the OPA-Locks Airport, and another crowd saw him land there.



NICE SIZE—Actress Lyon Bari, centre, attended a function in Chicago at which she took the measurements of entrants in the Chicago Prods Photographers' Miss Photofest contest. But Phyllis Johnson, left, and Marlene Kelly, decided that Miss Bari's measurements were also worthy of being measured.

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## AMERICA MOVES TO KILL VETO AND GIVE UN AN ARMY

Washington, Feb. 14.—The elder statesman Bernard Baruch today called for immediate steps to strengthen the United Nations by curbing the veto power and establishing an international police force strong enough to halt aggression.

In a telegram to Senator Paul Douglas, he threw his unqualified support behind the Senate resolution urging UN reform along those lines.

### America Ready For Anything

Washington, Feb. 14.—The Defense Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson, declared today that if an emergency arose Americans would be "ready to go at five o'clock in the morning."

Defense plans are drawn up in detail and approved by President Truman, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and himself, he told a meeting of district attorneys.

"I can tell you that the defense of the United States, as of today, are in the opinion of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the President and myself, sufficient to meet the needs of the hour"—Reuter.

## GRIM FINDS IN SHIP SALVAGE

London, Feb. 14.—A grim picture of the fate of the German liner *Wilhelm Gustloff* was revealed today when the bodies of 100 victims were found in the wreckage of the ship, which was sunk in the Baltic Sea last December.

The German water police are reported to have found the bodies of 100 victims in the wreckage of the ship, which was sunk in the Baltic Sea last December.

S. for the remains of 98 out of about 2,000 victims have been discovered. Salvage workers found human remains, including a child, and a few days ago.

One letter was found in a pocket of a child who was a member of the *Wilhelm Gustloff*. The letter was found in the wreckage of the ship, which was sunk in the Baltic Sea last December.

### Edith Moller Inquiry Findings

(Continued from Page 1) wrecked junk, and that there was no contravention of Section 422 of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894.

We find that the Radio Operator, James Gilbert, failed to interpret correctly the order of the Master especially considering that he must have been aware of his own inexperience, and we account for his actions by stressing his inexperience together with a lack of any sense of responsibility, both of which contributed in a high degree to the collision.

Members of the Court were Lt. J. Greenwood Green, RN, and Capt. J. W. Tinson, master mariner.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellett (Brutton and Co.), appeared for Capt. Hall, while Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. I. W. Gunther (Hastings) represented Gilbert. Mr. John McNeill, instructed by Mr. F. D. Hammond, (Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the owners of the *Edith Moller*.

### CHINESE-SOVIET TREATY

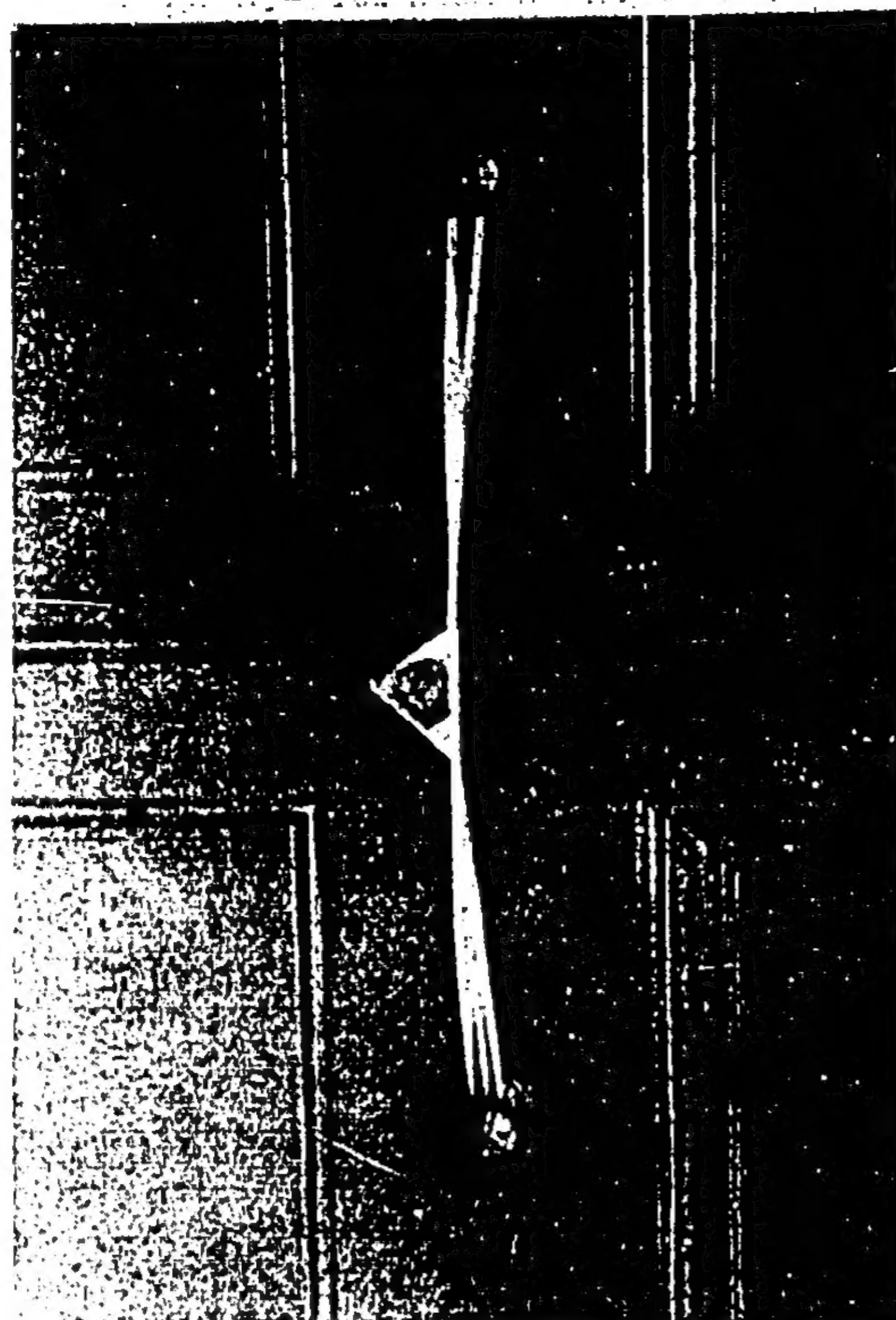
(Continued from Page 1) immediately on the conclusion of the Japanese peace treaty, and in any case not later than 1952."—United Press.

### FAREWELL BANQUET

Moscow, Feb. 14.—The Chinese Ambassador, Wang Chia-hsiang, gave a banquet honouring Mao Tse-tung, chairman of the Chinese People's Republic, and Soviet leaders at Hotel Metropol tonight.

Foreign observers regarded the banquet in the nature of a farewell party for Mao, who has been here for nine weeks negotiating a treaty. Mao is expected to leave for Peking in the Soviet Union before returning to China.—United Press.

## Waiting For New Boss



The Home Office seal on the doors of the Chinese Embassy in London, fastened after the departure of the Nationalist Ambassador. The new Communist envoy has not yet arrived. (London Express Service).

## Idea Of Tory Govt Makes Morrison Pessimistic

London, Feb. 14.—The Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Herbert Morrison, told Reuter in an interview that he is pessimistic about the effect a Conservative Administration would have on some of Britain's world relationships.

He added that he did not consider the Liberals could be effective at the polls next week.

Mr. Morrison emphasised that the two-party system suited Britain and that her Constitution worked best with a Government with a coherent major and a vigorous Opposition.

Conservative policy, he said, would be conducive to more and more trade disputes, which would be a great pity.

Discussing the probable reaction of other countries to a change to the right in Britain, Mr. Morrison observed that the Labour Government has been in a lot of the trouble of foreign affairs and about its international relations.

The Conservative leadership, he said, was not very good in quality and there would be a real danger of their confusing and muddling the issues involved in the maintenance of international relations.

There is nothing we are more keen to do than co-operation with Western Europe towards security and economic prosperity, Mr. Morrison continued. The last Assembly of the Council of Europe at Strasbourg last month he said, was a promising beginning.

Finally Mr. Morrison stressed that Anglo-American co-operation would remain an essential element of British policy.—Reuter.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"That's the biggest box of flowers Dad ever brought home—he must have bought that hunting outfit he's been talking about!"

### Kashmir Dispute

Bangalore, Feb. 14.—Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah, the Chief Minister of Kashmir, said here today that "there can be no plebiscite in Kashmir until every inch of Kashmir comes under a lawful government."

He added that if a plebiscite was held in the country he had not the slightest doubt but that the overwhelming majority of the Kashmiri people would vote for India and the ideals of the Mahatma and Pandit Nehru.—Reuter.

### Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 8.55, Programme Summary: 8.57, Concert by the Massed Bands—40th Infantry Division Pipes and Drums (Relay from the Sookunpoo Sports Ground, Hong Kong); 9. World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 9.15, Election Talk—By Ernest Hill, M.P. on behalf of the Labour Party (London Relay Recorded); 9.25, "Generally Speaking" (From London to Capetown with Jack Scott) (Part 4) (London Relay); 9.30, The Editorial (London Relay); 9.40, "Record Round-About" Presented by Christine Shore, Variety Requirer, Programme (Studio); 9.45, "Forces Mid-Week Magazine" Production by Ian Wilshaw (Studio); 10. Radio News (London Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.18, French Cabaret (10.45, Recital of Modern Violin Works by Glenn Gould); 11. Glenn Miller and His Orchestra; 11.15, Weather Report; 11.20, News and News from Britain (London Relay Recorded); 11.30, "God Save the King"; 11.30, Close News.

## GRAVE RIOTING OUTSIDE JOHANNESBURG

Johannesburg, Feb. 14.—Rioting spread on an unprecedented scale over three African townships on the outskirts of Johannesburg tonight, Newclare, Sophiatown and the Western native township.

Shops, mainly Indian-owned, were afire in Newclare, and there was widespread looting.

Traffic running through all the three townships was heavily stoned and there were hot exchanges of rifle fire between police and Africans.

Tonight, while firemen fought to prevent the spreading of fires, Africans uncoupled their hoses and the police were finally forced to cover the firemen with bursts from Sten guns, revolvers and rifles.

Last night's disorders broke out when flying squad police, checking the passes which the Africans are required to carry, arrested one man.

Earlier today the police swooped and detained 250 Africans involved in last night's disorders.

Fire brigade lorries were halted by road blocks entering Newclare and the police had to battle their way into the township, firing against Africans throwing stones from behind barricades.—Reuter.

## Singapore On Alert

Singapore, Feb. 15.—Emergency patrols of troops and police posted at midnight, were on the alert today (Wednesday) against a threatened attack, following the February 15, 1942 fall of Singapore to the Japanese.

Anti-air power stations, police posts and the water supply were all heavily guarded following a show of strength by the police and army units throughout the city yesterday.

Malayan Communist bands also have the date as marking the beginning of their "fight for liberation" and their threat to make a strike in celebration has been broadcast in pamphlets.

All police leave was stopped yesterday. Officials said that every precaution was being taken, and the people were assured that there was no cause for alarm.—Reuter.

Istanbul, Feb. 14.—A huge blaze in Istanbul's Yeshildere quarter destroyed several shops and textile depots, causing damage estimated at £370,000.—Reuter.

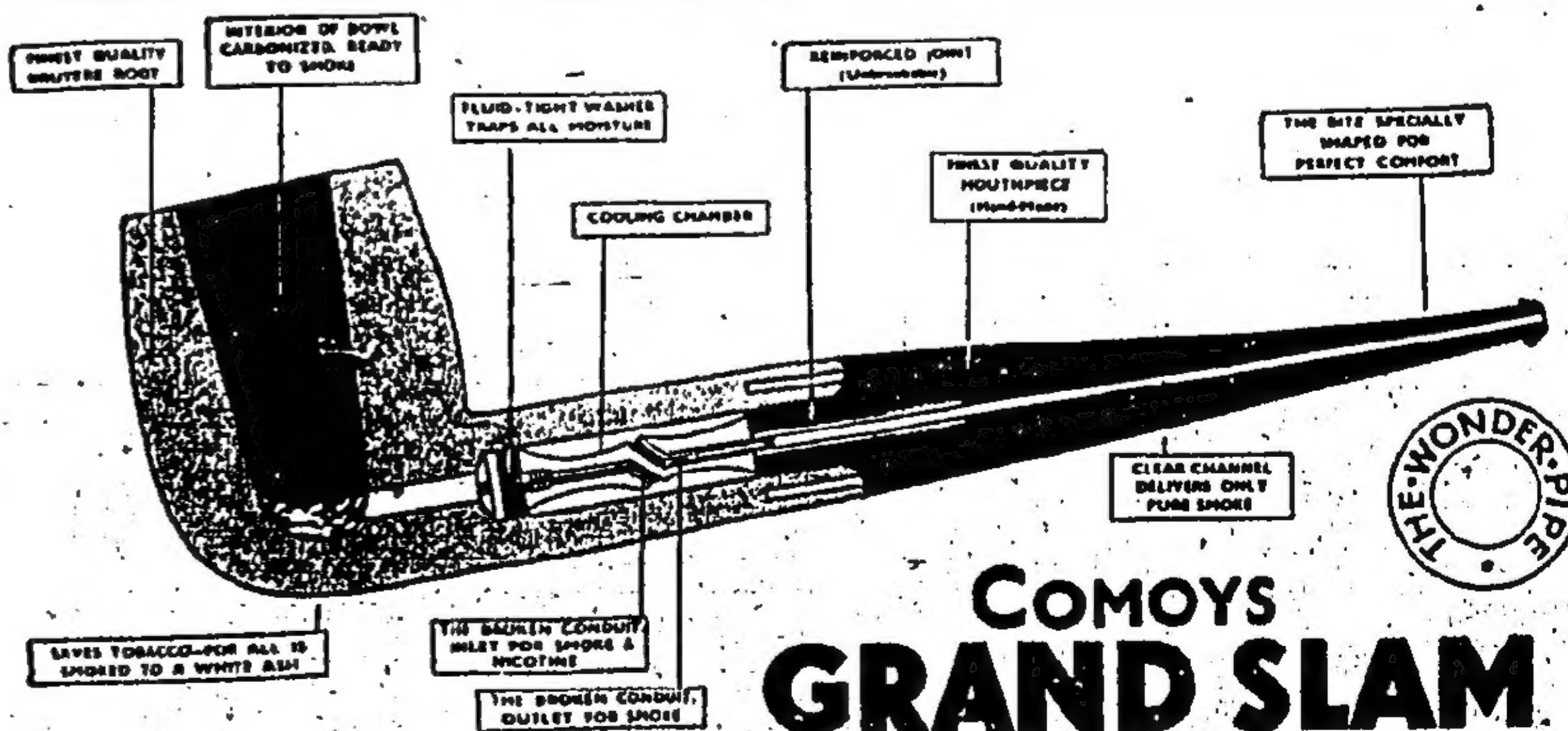
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# ARSENAL v. DERBY COUNTY SHOULD BE SATURDAY'S TOUGHEST LEAGUE BATTLE

London, Feb. 14.—English football swings back to the League campaign on Saturday, and one of the toughest battles of the day seems likely to be the London match between two teams who last Saturday qualified for the sixth round of the Cup—Arsenal and Derby County.

Derby County are one point below Arsenal, the "glamour" team of the Football League, and many would hold that, with better luck in some of their games, they would be ahead of them.

Derby have an excellent record on Arsenal's ground in recent years, and with an attack which has a strong potential "punch," they may force a draw.

Manchester United, who have a mid-week Cup replay, face one of their stiffest League tasks to date in travelling to Sunderland. The United, a polished football side, are only one point behind the leaders, Liverpool, in the race for Division I honours, while Sunderland are also well in the running.

Sunderland have not yet lost only one League match since they moved to the stadium of November and they are expected to play up to their best form when they meet the "Toon" on Saturday. Sunderland, however, seem to have the balance of power in what may be a close match.

## POMPEY MEET WOLVES

Portsmouth, the League Champions, who are Manchester United's opponents in the Cup replay during the week, are also faced with a difficult proposition in travelling to Wolverhampton. Wolverhampton Wanderers dropped back somewhat in the race after their long unbeaten run at the start of the season and Portsmouth's hard-tackling defence will give their forwards a problem but perhaps the home team will find ground advantage sufficient to enable them to win.

Burnley, whose main asset is their rock-like defence, are at home to Chelsea. Chelsea have

## Indian Squash

### Champion Impresses

London, Feb. 14. Abdul Bari, of Bombay, the stocky thick-set Professional Squash Rackets Champion, of India, made his first appearance in competitive squash in Britain at the Lansdowne Club, London, today when he beat Gwyn Reece, of Bromley, by 9-4, 9-3 and 9-6 in the first round of the Dunlop Open Tournament.

Bari, made a strong impression. He showed sound ball control and an easy mastery of the court, with a delicate touch and a strong ability to keep his opponents on the defensive by means of shrewd lobbing.

With these factors Bari had comparatively little difficulty in mastering Reece and the future progress of his play will be watched with interest in this country. —Reuter

## EL KARIM

London, Feb. 14. Mahmoud Al Karim, the Egyptian holder of the British Open Squash Rackets title, today entered the quarter-finals of the Dunlop Open tournament, which was resumed at the Lansdowne Club, London.

Karim played with his customary fine skill and near-perfect mastery of every shot. He beat Eric Hawes, recent winner of the Surrey professional title, by 9-7, 9-0 and 9-3. —Reuter

## SLALOM WINNER

Aspen, Colorado, Feb. 14.—Zeno Colo, of Italy, was the official winner of the Men's Giant Slalom World Ski Championship here today. His time for the event was 1 min 34.8 secs.

Fernand Grosjean, of Switzerland, was second in 1 min 55.2 secs. —Reuter

## Second Division League Cricket Averages

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S. E. M. Bux (IRC)	10	1	238	92*	26.44
A. T. Lee (KCC)	12	2	208	66	22.33
B. P. Dabber (KGVs)	12	2	210	35*	21.10
V. C. Bond (KCC)	12	1	219	47	19.90
E. Randall (KCC)	10	—	160	37	16.00
C. Hughes (Dockyard)	12	—	184	57	15.33
A. E. Noronha (Recreio)	11	—	163	40	14.81
F. Harroway (Commandos)	11	—	159	45	14.18
Eric Ho (University)	12	—	154	41	12.83

\*Not Out. Qualification: 150 runs

### BOWLING:

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts.	Aver.
D. J. Dunne (KGVs)	75.3	30	186	39	4.80
J. Hirst (RAF)	82.5	23	192	31	6.19
D. E. Remedios (Recreio)	55.3	12	144	23	6.26
G. Vale (R. Navy)	78	19	151	24	6.29
A. T. Lee (KCC)	140	40	272	41	6.63
A. E. Noronha (Recreio)	42.1	5	101	24	6.70
W. H. Owen (Commandos)	75.5	15	215	31	6.93
G. Dean (Commandos)	53	8	100	21	7.61
F. D. Bottomley (KGVs)	76.5	20	169	22	7.68
D. G. White (KCC)	75.5	15	233	30	7.76
Y. Motiwala (IRC)	124	33	305	37	8.24
A. D. Ebrahim (IRC)	130.3	42	263	29	9.09
C. Collins (Dockyard)	66	12	105	21	9.28
G. Guetter (Recreio)	110.5	32	263	28	9.39
C. Hardy (Dockyard)	80.2	15	281	28	10.03
H. Davenport (RAF)	90.3	22	240	20	12.00
G. Elliott (University)	63.4	7	373	27	13.81
Eric Ho (University)	91.4	15	346	24	14.41

Qualification: 20 wickets

## Ewell Wins The Professional Sprint Crown

Melbourne, Feb. 14.—Harney Ewell, the American Negro sprinter, tonight won the World Professional Sprint Championship title, decided over four events—the 75, 100, 130 and 220 yards.

The first two events held last week, were both won by Ewell, who tonight won the two others—the 100 and 130 yards. In 9.0 and 12.2 secs respectively.

Points are awarded five for first, three for second and one for third, so Ewell aggregated 20 points.

Second place went to the Australian, John Stoney with six points, he being second in each of today's races, while Frank Hunter, also of Australia, who was third in two events today, collected four points and Albert Grant, of Britain, two points. Hunter

## Pakistani Owner Has A Winner

London, Feb. 14. Tanaka, a five-year-old owned by Mr. Habib Rahimullah, the Pakistani High Commissioner to Britain, today won the Gaddy Hurdles event, run over two miles at Leicester.

Starting favourite at 11 to 10, Tanaka, ridden by the crack Irish Jockey, Martin Moloney, was always up with the leaders and won by one and a half lengths from Red River, with Steel Ray a further six lengths away third of a field of 15 runners.

Tanaka, carrying 11 stone, five pounds, was having his first outing over the hurdles. His win today brought his owner £300. —Reuter

## Patrick Thistle Win Through

London, Feb. 14.—Patrick Thistle beat Dundee United by five goals to nil in a Scottish Cup second-round football match today. This match was postponed last Saturday owing to snow.

Patrick Thistle now have a bye into the third round. —Reuter

## Hospitals' Cup

London, Feb. 14.—St Bart's Hospital beat King's College Hospital by 11 points to three in a first-round Hospitals' Cup, Rugby Union game today. —Reuter

## Wong Peng-soon In London

London, Feb. 14.—Wong Peng-soon, the Malayan Badminton Champion, arrived in London by air today to compete for the world title next month.

Wong said on arrival: "I expect my hardest matches will be with the Danes." —Reuter

## Fourth Test Match Ends In A Draw

Johannesburg, Feb. 14.—South Africa halted Australia's run of six successive Test victories against them when the fourth Test ended here today in a draw.

Australia had won the first three Tests in this series and the last three in 1935-36. South Africa saved the follow-on today when they took their overnight first-innings score of 275 for seven to 352 and forced Australia to bat a second time.

Australia, who made 465 for eight declared in their first innings, scored 259 for two wickets in their second knock when the match ended in a draw.

### FOURTH TEST CENTURY

It was Moroney's sixth first-class century of the tour and his fourth in the Tests. He scored 178 in the second Test and 161 not out in the third.

Moroney and the left-hander, Neil Harvey (100), added 170 runs in two hours, 13 minutes for the second wicket. Moroney's was a stolid effort of three and three-quarters hours, which included seven fours, whereas Harvey attacked the bowling and hit 13 fours.

Keith Miller infused some life into the dying game by slashing two sixes and four fours in an unbroken 33.

The match ended on a farcical note when Nourse and Eric Rowan bowled the last over and the field crowded round the batsmen. Miller held his bat upside down when facing Nourse.

Of the 28 Tests between the two countries, Australia has won 21 and South Africa one, with six drawn. —South Africa

## IT'S A DROP-KICK



In all-in wrestling they call this a drop-kick: and French-Canadian Larry Moquin has just landed with both feet, full in the face of Joe Bonnicassa of Stockton, California. Bout was at Sam Ramalpa, California. —London Express Service.

## AUSTRALIA'S DAVIS CUP "FINDS":

# Big Things Forecast For McGregor & Mervyn Rose

BY ERIC RIEL

Sydney, Feb. 14.—Big things are being forecast for Davis Cup "finds" Ken McGregor and Mervyn Rose, picked for the 1950 Australian team. Local experts believe McGregor, at 20, already shows he has all the makings of a future World Champion. "His service is the nearest approach to American Richard Gonzales I have seen," says Cliff Sproule, last year's Australian team manager. "It will become the talk of the world in a couple of years."

McGregor has suddenly emerged into prominence as one of Australia's best Cup hopes in years. Yet, he took up tennis, seriously, under protest. Two years ago he still wanted to be an Australian Rules footballer.

His father, a great Australian Rules player, talked him into making tennis his major sport.

I couldn't see any sense in it and I didn't feel very happy about giving up football, but after my father knew what he was talking about, Ken says, "I'll do it."

Tell, but 21. McGregor has his father's broad shoulders, deep chest and long legs built for speed. He was keen to play in school. When he won a couple of junior championships in Adelaide, a Melbourne ball firm grabbed the promising youngster and sent him to Melbourne to be trained by a former international player, Bill Dingley.

The move had almost immediate results and McGregor was included in a South African tour last year.

When McGregor eliminated Adrian Quist, 6-4, 6-8, 8-6, 7-5, in an inter-state match last November, it was evident his South African tour had considerably improved his form.

George Worthington, who accompanied him on the tour, said: "I've seen Ken in most of his matches, but I've never seen him play like this before." McGregor's increased chances for Cup selection when he beat Jaroslav Drobný—who three years ago defeated Jack Kramer then regarded as the world's best player. He won the match, 11-9, 6-1, 6-3.

McGregor has had comparatively little first class experience but he does have lots of natural ability. He proved this when he paired with Frank Sedgman to beat the experienced combination of Drobný and Eric Sturges, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4. McGregor's big service often left his opponents standing.

## MERVYN ROSE

Experts tipped 19-year-old Mervyn Rose as a strong candidate for the Cup last November, when he caused three major upsets in an inter-state match at White City, Sydney.

The slim, hairy-legged lad, with seemingly inexhaustible energy, out-classed Davis Cupper George Worthington 6-4, 6-4, and later, pairing with Don Candy, was mainly responsible

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## Fighter of Half Century

# Dempsey Not Sure That He Was Best

By GAYLE TALBOT

"This is the greatest thing that ever happened to me. I hope I'm worthy of it." Those were the first words that popped from Jack Dempsey when he was told he had been voted the greatest prizefighter of the past 50 years in a nationwide poll of sportswriters and sports-casters conducted by the Associated Press.

The old Manassa Mauler plainly meant what he said. He was pretty well flabbergasted.

"There have been so many great fighters," he protested, "I don't know the boys can be sure I was the best. But if they think I was, it makes me mighty happy."

## MORE THAN DECISIVE

The vote, he was assured, had been more than decisive. Of the 393 experts who participated in the poll, 251 had voted the straight Dempsey ticket. Only Joe Louis, the great Negro champion who retired a year ago after an 11-year reign, gave Jack anything resembling a race. The Brown Bomber drew 104 votes.

"It's difficult to compare fighters," Dempsey observed. "It's hard for me even to pick the best men I fought. I suppose I should say Gene Tunney, because he won my title from me, but I'm not sure."

"Fibro had a great punch. I didn't even know he had knocked me out of the ring until I came to on my stool between rounds. I thought I had been knocked out. Bill Brennan was a good man, too, and so were Willie Meahan and Tommy Gibbons. It's hard to pick the best."

## Squash Tourney

Results of yesterday's first round of the Cratney Squash Championships, and the draw for today and tomorrow follow:

Today  
Court 1: 5:30 p.m.—J.H. Glover v. N.L. Bentley; 6 p.m.—N.P. Downie v. L.E. Gales; 7:30 p.m.—Capt. C.N. Claydon v. W.J.D. Cooper.  
Court 2: 5:30 p.m.—J.K. Wilson v. Capt. G. McDonald; 6 p.m.—G.H.P. Pritchard v. Wing Cmdr A.D. Pan-  
ton, RAF.

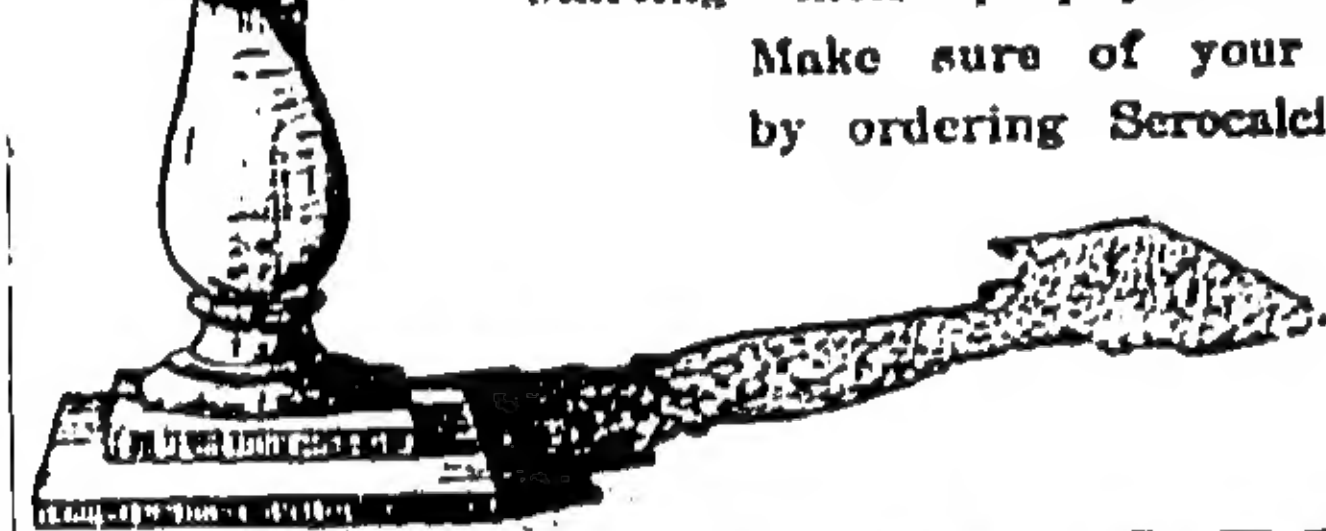
Tomorrow  
Court 2: 5:30 p.m.—Capt. R.W.L. McAlister v. G.C.R. Tanner; 6 p.m.—J.D. Smith v. P.E. Hutson; 6:30 p.m.—Z.L.A. A. Hodgkinson v. L.A. Vickers.

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BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

It certainly was a slam night at Atlantic City when I dropped in at the Kelly's duplicate game. Roland Rosenberg and his partner arrived at a grand slam in diamonds on today's hand. Mr. Rosenberg pointed out that there was not much to be made except to provide for several possible lines.

When the queen of clubs was played, Mr. Rosenberg's partner South played the ace of diamonds, my partner played the king of clubs from his hand. Now if he could drop the king and jack of clubs doubleton, he would be able to deny his two losing hearts in diamonds a two good cards.

So that was the first possible line. He played the king of clubs, and my partner played the queen of clubs. He took two tricks of trump.

When West showed and the next hand was to find the heart suit split 3-2, or if they broke 4-1, he had to hope that the four hearts would be in the same hand with the three diamonds.

At this point Mr. Rosenberg cashed the ace, king and queen of hearts. He ruffed a heart with the queen of diamonds, trumped a club and picked up the last trump. Now his fifth trick was good for the thirteenth trick.

While the play of this hand looks simple I want to point out that you must carefully analyse all of the different angles of a hand before you start the play. Always give yourself the benefit of the different possibilities.

## Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the city which is located at the Atlantic terminus of the Panama Canal.
2. Name the nature of the strongest bond rope fibre.
3. Name the wizard and adviser of King Arthur.
4. What bird is the symbol of the Golden Horn?
5. A Piece of Steel is a story by whom?
6. How did the name of Spic come to be applied to many mineral springs?

(Answers on Page 8)

## CROSSWORD

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2. Fine pottery finished off with a composition (5)
3. When wood it may be barred out but as stone (5)
4. Water plant (4)
5. Surprisingly it is the eagle in (7)
6. Nothing money here (4)
7. Vocal note (4)
8. Take a trip to Ur (4)
9. Morning before the doctor came for rifle fuel (4)
10. Take a swift glance (4)
11. He finds the cable 150 short (3)
12. Bring to naught (4)
13. Not a nice thing to do (4)
14. In this office one gets paid for doing nothing (6)

1. The kind of port we put down to have with none but one (5)
2. Struck with amazement (6)
3. You need a meet for this cup (7)
4. Go right in (4)
5. Following a rest will follow (4)
6. Loud! On the contrary (4)
7. Bar popular with ladies (4)
8. The color of the egg is rather high but good in taste (4)
9. Consume (4)
10. When artist and sailor turn homed (4)
11. How the 100 addressed his troops with a warning (4)
12. After this 100's are not sent (4)
13. Britain's measures (4)

Position of yesterday's puzzle: Across: 1. Institute; 2. Vetter; 3. Dress; 4. Gen; 5. Aurora; 6. Nutrient; 7. Struck; 8. Scintilla; 9. Down: 1. Glimpse; 2. Escalator; 3. Error; 4. Litter; 5. Ban; 6. Lure.

## DUMB BELLS



## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

If you are born today, your greatest talent, most likely, is in the field of music, although you have a deep interest in the arts. You will be happy if you are in some profession where an expression of your personality and individuality are required. Many people interested in selling are born on this day and can make a fortune out of it.

You combine the imaginative and the practical in a real way. You are very original in your ideas and your sense of humor is far ahead of the pack. Remember that it takes a long time to show in money, but you will be successful in the end.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19): A second day in which your sense of humor may be gratified. It is a day to be your best.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21): Success in artistic efforts and outdoor sports are all in high favor today.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20): Important matters should be handled now for there are indications of a successful termination.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21): Combine social and business affairs successfully. Your friends will be helpful if you will cooperate.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21): If your business is selling, then make the most of a fine day. Handing day. Social activities are also pleasant.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): Your intuition should lead you in the right direction. Follow it for the best possible results.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 23): Take risks today. You are fairly sure of the best premises and your own advance your success.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23): Push past your own failures and complete for new conditions change the aspect tomorrow.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23): A fine day, with prospects most favorable for the fulfillment of your highest ideals and future plans.

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## MIDWEEK BOOK PARADE

## ENDLESS PROCESSION OF HUMANITY

COURT CIRCULAR

By Sewell Stokes

(Michael Joseph, 10/8)

THE material for this tragic-comedy of London life was provided by four wartime years that this author spent as a Probation Officer at Bow Street Magistrates' Court. He recalls an endless procession of humanity appearing before the magistrate, Mr. Albert, for every imaginable petty offence, and an also endless procession of wives wishing to dispose of their husbands for reasons of cruelty.

Mr. Sewell Stokes knew his

job was important and his experience showed him that "its value would be substantially increased if those responsible for its organization could be made to see how far short it falls of the ideal in view."

There were times to be serious and there were times when "not to have laughed, would have meant crying." But the social importance of probation is not discussed at length—the author is content to record what he saw of an impressive but unfortunate human pageant, and the result is a very true picture of human maladjustment.

One of the most frequent visitors to Mr. Stokes' office was Mrs. Fossitt. Having been deserted by her American boxer husband several years before, and not having received her money due from him, she called at the Probation Office regularly to ask whether they had heard anything of the whereabouts of her missing husband. Her usual dress included a man's cap and pin-up girl conversation was invariably on the subject of astrology and punctuated by demands for cups of tea.

Another character was Miss Mackin with whom Mr. Stokes had the conversation at their first meeting.

They were talking to a woman who said: "I thought you ought to know. 'Who is trying to poison you?' 'The people in the Buildings who live in the next flat to mine.' 'Then you must be in Scotland Yard.' 'And I am about to be about it. I'm afraid it's much too serious a problem for us to deal with.'"

She said, rather forlornly: "They never listen to me there. The last time I went there I spoke to was quite rude to me."

"I'm surprised to hear that," said "Tell me how long have they been trying to poison you?"

"After some thought she said: 'Fifteen years or more.' 'It is a slow business, isn't it?'"

"Yes, isn't it?" She added, "I don't mind for myself. I've got used to it, you see. But now they've started on Pussie, so I've got to do something."

"Oh no, not at all," said the author. "In this book there are plenty of laughs, and even tragedy, but nowhere is a paragraph without interest and humour."

(Tomorrow—Recorded Music)

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THRUST: How any paper can give space to such besotted blatherings is beyond my comprehension. The gibberings of a mind obviously reeling on the brink of oblivion should be the daily reward of millions of readers is an insult to civilization as we know it today. Let these cretinous meanderings stop forthwith and sack the crop-cared clot who produces them.

—Albert Wheelbarrow.

WE are ever willing to listen to constructive criticism, but if we may say so, Reader Wheelbarrow is in a mauling from slightly off his course. While we agree with much of his logic we must point out that, however wrong it may be, there are many readers who still believe that space in a daily paper is not as precious as it should be. By pointing the weather forecasts in this paper will continue to do so.

Long winter evening

AS a friendly aid to the poet, I used to know always said: "There is nothing I like so much as to smudge down with a ready invention palm and have a good read."

Ballet aches

THE success of the Satter's Wells Ballet in New York reminds me of the time when I was in the chorus with Olga Balanchina. I will remember being taken to see them as a child. How excited I was as a nurse helped me up the draped stairs, and how important I felt in my first little opera cloak which we had bought that very morning complete on card with top-lip, bottle of champagne, and book of instructions.

They were playing "Les Sylphides." I remember I, of course was playing last with the corps-de-ballet in their dancing room. Auntie was in "Swan Lake," right up her neck some said.

A roll-on for her Oliver

Congratulations to the company firm which is running a school for correct salaciousness to put their customers into the right type of corset.

—Gossip girl.

"Oh, Yolande, you silly girl, take Mrs. Winterspoon out of that absurd contraption and try her in that little tub-shaped number just for size. No, no, Madam, that is our fireproof, kindly replace it."

(London Express Service)

## HK Stock Market Holidays

Because of the Chinese New Year Festival the Hongkong Stock Exchange will close for business at noon on Thursday until Monday morning.

## MOVES TO LIFT TRADE BARRIERS

Berlin, Feb. 14.—Inter-zonal trade talks, aimed at lifting the recently imposed ban on exports from Western to Eastern Germany, opened in Berlin today.

Herr Gottfried Kaumann, head of the West German inter-zonal trade office, arrived by air this morning and went straight to the East German trade department for talks with Josef Tholpe, his East German counterpart.

The discussions, expected to last several days, will cover not only the steel ban imposed by the West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, on February 6, but other differences which have arisen in carrying out the East-West trade agreement.

The official reason given for the steel ban was that East Germany had already overdrawn its credit limit of 15,000,000 West marks.

Unofficially, however, Allied and German officials confirmed that it had been at least partly designed as an answer to recent East German restrictions on heavy traffic with Berlin.

## Korea-Japan Trade

Tokyo, Feb. 14.—General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters announced today that Mr. Chong Hoon-park, director of South Korea's Bureau of Foreign Trade, has opened a two-week series of discussions here aimed at completing negotiations for the sale of rice to Japan and ironing out difficulties in general Korea-Japan trade.

The announcement said he would discuss the new Japanese private trade procedures and financial matters with SCAP and Japanese officials. United Press.

## Election Doubts Affect London Markets

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Feb. 14.—A note of extreme caution has crept into London Stock Exchange dealings as the general election campaign nears its climax.

But in the nearby Rubber Market the boom continues and the spot price yesterday established a new 22-year record when 1s. 4d. per pound was officially quoted.

The reasons for the mounting boom in rubber are easy to find.

There is a shortage of spot and nearby supplies and new supplies are not coming forward fast enough to satisfy consumers and stockpile demands.

Against this is the growing certainty that the Indonesian gulder will soon be devalued. Officially the gulder is pegged to the Dutch florin, but on the black market dealers are offered only fifteen Straits cents to the gulder against the official price of eighty cents to the florin.

Rumours of impending devaluation are strengthened by the fact that Indonesian operators are hoarding substantial stocks of rubber. One estimate places these stocks as high as 25,000 tons.

If the Indonesian currency is devalued, these supplies will be released on the market, resulting perhaps in a short-term setback in the price of rubber.

Mr. Djuanda, Indonesia's Minister for Economic Affairs, has arrived in London from Amsterdam after a visit in America where he had talks with leading members of the rubber industry.

TIN RESTRICTION

While in Amsterdam, he said that final details of a tin contract between Indonesia and the United States were being worked out.

It is considered probable that while in London, Mr. Djuanda also conferred with the Dutch authorities about direct Indonesian representation at the Tin Study Group meeting, which is scheduled for March in Paris. This will be a vital meeting, with the question of an international restriction scheme for tin at the chief topic for discussion.

Hitherto, Indonesia has been represented at these meetings by the Dutch delegation.

Meanwhile, London markets are reacting to the general uncertainty about the election outcome by postponing where possible any activity until the results are known.

## HONGKONG SHARES

Activity was again apparent on the HK Stock Exchange this morning. Transactions completed were of a volume totalling \$152,055, up to noon, when the quotations were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS	HK Bank	1400	11	1500
INSURANCES	Union	030	60	630
DOCKS, ETC.	K. Wharf	100		
	Pt. Wharf	50		
DOCK	Provident	12	150	15
SHIP DUCK	LANA	64	200	5
LAND, ETC.	HK Land	40	200	50
UTILITIES	Star	151	10	100
	C. Light (N)	3	8.00	200
	Electric	30	8.00	200
TELEPHONE	Telephone	10		
INDUSTRIALS	Comet	200	4	245
STONES, ETC.	Watson	50	600	40
LANE CRAW	Lane Craw	385		
SILVER	Silver	3.50	400	3.80
COTTONS	Cottons	4 1/2		

## Seeking Loan In Britain

London, Feb. 14.—The Indonesian Minister for Economics, Dr. Djuanda, was today seeking the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, to sound out the possibility of securing a British loan, according to usually reliable quarters here.

Dr. Djuanda had a talk with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin yesterday, when Mr. Bevin told him of economic plans for South-East Asia which were discussed at the Colombo Commonwealth Conference last month. A Foreign Office spokesman said afterwards that Dr. Djuanda had asked Mr. Bevin about the possibility of developing trade between Britain and Indonesia.

## Wall Street Talks Lament

New York, Feb. 14.—Headlines in the Wall Street Journal today said that British businessmen fear a vast new nationalization sweep if Labour wins the election and government seizure of mills to slaughterhouses.

The headlines were above a dispatch from the newspaper's London correspondent, John D. Leonard, who quoted one industrialist as saying: "The moment they nationalise my business, I am off to South Africa."

The dispatch added: "The lament is general. Businessmen do not need Winston Churchill or his Conservatives to tell them that five more years of Labour rule would all but finish private enterprise in Britain, at least as Americans define the term."

The Journal said that other British businessmen feared for state ownership included iron and steel, sugar, cement, laundries, vegetable oil, cold storage plants, water supplies and mineral resources. Associated Press.

## New York Rubber Futures

New York, Feb. 14.—Rubber futures today closed unchanged to seven points higher, on sales totalling 82 contracts.

Deniers reported a dull situation. Prices closed as follows:—

February (in cents per lb.)	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
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—United Press.

## OUTWARD MAILS

On Friday, February 17, the General Post Office, London, Central Post Office and other Branch Post Offices will be closed for delivery of mail.

On Saturday, February 18, the General Post Office and other Branch Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. There will be one delivery of mail.



## U.S. DIPLOMATS DISCUSS ECONOMIC AID FOR S.E. ASIA

Bangkok, Feb. 14.—The establishment of liaison between the United States and the British Commonwealth for co-ordinated economic aid to Southeast Asia was discussed today by the 17 American diplomatic and Asia mission chiefs meeting here.

Sources close to the three-day conference, which began yesterday, said that the United States representative from Japan urged the conclusion of an early peace treaty as a means of stimulating Japanese political responsibility and initiative for the benefit of all Southeast Asia.

## SIAMESE CABINET SPLIT

Bangkok, Feb. 14.—A split in the Siamese cabinet and a warning of possible revolutionary activity against the Government have followed a proposal by the Premier, Marshal Phibul Songkram, to give recognition to the new independent Indo-China states of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos.

The discussion on recognition was deferred after the cabinet failed to reach unanimity yesterday, a cabinet spokesman said.

Reliable Ministers sources confirmed that the Siamese Foreign Minister, Phibul Songkram, was among the group of Ministers who opposed the recognition proposal.

It was also reliable source that the cabinet opposition, based on the Siamese political "wait and see" policy, was reinforced by strong Army General Staff representatives that recognition of the Indo-China states would cause grave internal unrest in the Siamese provinces bordering on Indo-China.

The General Staff's contention was reported to be that several thousand Vietnamese and Laotians, now living in the Indo-China area, might instigate revolutionary activity against the Siamese Government if the Government extended recognition to the Indo-China states.

The Deputy Chief of the Siamese police, Major General Phao Saichuan, who is said to be leaving for the north and northwestern Siam, but does this week to discuss the danger of Communist-led border intrigue.—Reuter.

## MORE FLYING SAUCERS IN JUTLAND

Copenhagen, Feb. 14.—Two "flying saucers" were reported today by the Conservative newspaper, Berlingske Tidende. The paper quoted a responsible elderly couple for seeing a saucer-shaped object appear from the southeast with a bang and a flash.

The object crashed without trace in a shower of sparks a few yards from a house. A second "saucer" disappeared out of sight, the paper said. The United States Air Force three months ago denied reports that "white egg-shaped flying objects" were "observation aircraft from another planet" and attributed them to "mass hysteria" and the "results of natural phenomena".—Reuter.

## Shipwrecked Seamen Rescued

Perth, Feb. 14.—The Norwegian tanker, Elise, has picked up 12 Indonesian seamen shipwrecked in a sailing vessel off the Western Australian coast, according to a radio message from the Elise received here today.

The message gave no further details.

The Elise is due in Fremantle tomorrow.—Reuter.

## MADAME CHIANG ON TOUR

Kaohsiung, Formosa, February 14.—A quarter-mile long line of officers, cadets and bluejackets at Taoyin naval base extended a hearty "welcome" to Madame Chiang Kai-shek this afternoon on her island tour.

Accompanied by Admiral Kwei Yung-ching, she inspected the Navy hospital and schools shortly after arriving from Kanchuan air base.

At a dinner party she said the Chinese Navy had made great improvements in recent years.

Recalling reports of Navy defections, she said she thought there was a good chance to clean up rotten elements in the Navy.—United Press.

## Rioting In South Africa

Johannesburg, Feb. 14.—Three hundred police raided the non-European township of Newclare early today and detained 250 Africans. The raid followed rioting in the town last night.

Newclare is on the outskirts of Johannesburg.

In last night's rioting some police and Africans were injured. Three Africans and an Indian woman were taken to hospital with bullet wounds. Two other Africans with bullet wounds and six with minor injuries were also treated.

The riot started when police in two flying squad cars checking Africans' passes tried to arrest a man.

All Africans must carry these passes to live, work and travel in urban areas.

Africans stoned the police and forced them to retreat. One European sergeant, cut off by the crowd, was saved by three non-Europeans who bundled him into a house.

Police laid siege to the building, and police reinforcements forced their way into it with a series of baton charges.

Tear gas and shots drove back the rioters.

As the police fought their way out of the building with fire arms and batons, Africans stoned and street lights, plunging the streets into darkness, and further clashes took place.

In the Union Assembly at question time today, the Minister of Justice, Mr. C. R. Swart, said that he had not yet received full information on the outbreak.

The police are ready for any further disturbance.

An investigation is being made as to the best method of dealing with rioters.—Reuter.

## Two Mormon Missionaries Arrested

Prague, Feb. 14.—The Czechoslovak Foreign Office has informed the United States Embassy that two Mormon missionaries, Stanley Abbott, and Aldon Johnson, are under arrest for "attempting to enter a prohibited area."

The Foreign Ministry was replying to urgent enquiries by the American Embassy about the men, who were reported as having "disappeared" on January 28.

A Czechoslovak note addressed to the American Embassy said that the missionaries were arrested by the security authorities "for having attempted to enter a prohibited area" and that they would remain in custody until investigations were complete.

It added that the Foreign Ministry was considering the American Embassy's request to see the missionaries. Neither Embassy nor Mormon Mission headquarters has yet been able to communicate with them.—Reuter.

Truman Signs Aid Bill

Washington, Feb. 14.—President Truman today signed and made into law the \$70,500,000 economic aid bill for the South Korean Republic and the Chinese Nationalists on Formosa, both threatened by Communist expansion.

The President also permitted the spending of \$10,500,000 in previously appropriated funds for road building, fertilisers and rural reconstruction on Formosa.—United Press.

## Russia Believed Stepping Up Plan To Boost Seapower

Washington, Feb. 14.—Recent reports from behind the Iron Curtain have led American officials to suggest that Russia is putting on pressure in a drive to boost her seapower.

As the latest moves in this direction, they noted two announcements made in Moscow:

1.—V. A. Malishev, a deputy chairman of the Soviet Council of Ministers, was named Minister of Shipbuilding.

2.—Ivan Isidorovich Nosenko, Minister of Transport Machinery, became Malishev's deputy.

Malishev is an engineer with a reputation for getting things done. During the war he was credited with applying the push behind his country's war material production.

More recently he served as Minister of Transport Engineering and Heavy Machine Building.

In announcing Malishev's appointment, Moscow made no mention of what was expected of his new post. In the past the Shipbuilding Ministry has been concerned only with civilian shipping.

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Soviet Russia has shipbuilding centres at Leningrad, Odessa and Vladivostok, among other ports, but officials said the Soviet regime in the past has favoured the construction and improvement of railways over the development of shipping and waterways.—Associated Press.

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